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## WE'LL BE READY.

Next Convention of American Federation of Labor Comes to Louisville.

The Federation Action Calls for Withdrawals from Local Trades Assembly.

Samuel Gompers and the Old Officers Will Serve For Another Year.

LOUISVILLE DELEGATES ARE HOME.

Flushed with victory and in the best of spirits Delegates Walter Young and James McGill have returned from Detroit, where they represented the Central Labor Union and Federal Labor Union at the convention of the American Federation of Labor, the greatest gathering of representatives of American trades unionists ever assembled in the United States, bringing with them the next convention to Louisville.

Messrs. McGill, Young and Charles Peetz left two weeks ago and labored for Louisville night and day till the time for the balloting to begin Wednesday, when they had the pleasure of winning easily over Scranton, Cleveland, Columbus, Salt Lake City, Galveston and Bay City, Mich. Their victory is the more remarkable from the fact that the Federation has not met in the East for a number of years, and as Nashville, Cincinnati, Kansas City and Detroit had the convention it was thought by many that an Eastern city, possibly Syracuse, which is a noted convention town, might carry off the prize. However, the Louisville representatives were not to be dismayed and the delegates could not resist the temptation to come here after enjoying a taste of the hospitality dispensed at the Kentucky headquarters. When Louisville was placed in nomination the convention was brought to a standstill, that the formal invitations and telegrams might be read. They were from the Board of Trade, Commercial Club, Central Labor Union, Mayor Weaver and Henry Watterson, Col. John and James Whalen, President Biford and Typographical Union No. 10, the General Council and Charles E. Shepherd, Evening Post, Kentucky Irish American, Louisville Dispatch and the Anzeiger, and all had their good effect. The trades unionists of this city can not too highly appreciate the honor conferred upon them, and there is no doubt but that the business public will aid in carrying out the pledges made.

The Federation re-elected all the old officers, the only contests being for the selection of delegates to the British and Canadian Trades Congresses. The following will serve during the year 1900:

President—Samuel Gompers, of Washington.

Treasurer—John B. Lennon of Bloomington, Ill.

Fraternal Delegates to British Congress—John B. Lennon, Bloomington, Ill., Secretary of the Journeyman Tailors' Union, and W. C. Pearce of Indianapolis, Secretary of the United Mine Workers.

Fraternal Delegates to Canadian Trades Congress—W. D. Mahon of Detroit, President of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees.

The matter of greatest importance to Louisville trades unions, and having a direct bearing upon the differences between the Central Labor Union and those who last year seceded therefrom to organize the United Trades and Labor Assembly was the protest entered against the admission of the delegates from the national bodies of the locals represented therein. The action of the Committee on Credentials was prompt and decisive, and was to the effect that no trades union, national or local, in any way, directly or indirectly, affiliated with the body without a charter from the American Federation would be recognized or entitled to representation until such connection was severed, to which the officers of the National Tobacco Workers' Union and Theatrical Stage Employees' Alliance agreed, saying their locals in Louisville must withdraw from the anti-Federation body or surrender their charter. Those who have the true interests of the wage earners at heart believe this will bring to an end the senseless breach that has existed here during the year, and when the convention meets next December our trades unions will present a united front.

Before adjourning the convention made formal requests that all trades unions hereafter more clearly define the work of their respective crafts. Action was taken warning building trades councils not to overstep their legitimate functions by assuming general jurisdiction of trades unions or issuing charters for organizations of national trades unions.

A resolution was adopted commanding President Gompers' service and granting him leave of absence from duty with pay until he shall have fully recovered from his recent injury.

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councils were indorsed as beneficial to the labor movement.

Union men affiliated with the American Federation of Labor are asked not to purchase any commodities without the union label being printed on them.

After February 1 all firms now on the unfair boycott list are to be dropped from the list unless the unions interested entered protest. This action is taken because the list had grown to an unmanageable size.

Delegates Waterbury of the Carpenters, Olson of the Granite Cutters, and Driscoll of the Massachusetts State branch, were chosen as a committee to attempt the adjusting of the painters' troubles.

A resolution was adopted protesting against the employment of the employees of the Government in competition with civilians in any field of labor whatsoever.

The convention also indorsed the movement of the Retail Clerks' National Union for shorter hours, and calls upon all organized labor to assist them in their efforts to secure better conditions.

Another important resolution adopted calls for the election of the President and United States Senators by direct vote of the people.

The Executive Council were instructed to visit the next conventions of the various national railway organizations and endeavor to have them more closely affiliated with the Federation, as the Railway Telegraphers now are.

The blue label of the Tobacco Workers' Union was indorsed, and all union men are urged to demand it when making purchases.

Handsome souvenirs were presented the foreign delegates, who had created a fine impression, before the final adjournment.

The convention was one of the most successful and conservative yet held, and its meeting here next year will mean much for Louisville.

## REST AT LAST.

Mrs. Peter Cusick Is Dead, After a Long and Painful Illness.

Last Monday morning Mrs. Peter Cusick passed away at the age of twenty-seven years, leaving a husband and two children to mourn her death. The deceased was an estimable lady, a true wife, a kind mother and a good neighbor. Her funeral took place Wednesday morning, and the obsequies at St. Patrick's church were largely attended, solemn requiem high mass being celebrated by Rev. Father Kelleher.

Mrs. Cusick before her marriage seven years ago was Miss Tresa O'Neill, daughter of the late Felix O'Neill. Besides the husband and two children, her mother and three sisters, Misses Mary, Maggie and Hannah, and one brother, Michael O'Neill, residing on Columbia street, share in the sad bereavement.

The deceased had been ill for the past year, but had borne her painful sufferings with marked Christian fortitude, and while the end was not wholly unexpected the announcement was a shock to her wide circle of friends, whose heartfelt sympathy goes out to the bereaved family and relatives. By her death the West End has lost another of its most highly esteemed and exemplary residents. The remains were interred in St. Louis cemetery, the pall-bearers being Messrs. Joseph Dougherty, John McGinnity, John Mulvey, Thomas Riley, James Spellman and Louis Perraud, May perpetual light shine upon her soul.

## ATTACK ON CARDINAL GIBBONS.

Cardinal Gibbons was asked some time ago by Cardinal Vaughan, says a New York dispatch of December 18, to deliver the sermon at the dedication next year of the new Catholic Cathedral at Westminster. The Baltimore prelate accepted the invitation, and preparations were begun by the Catholics of England to welcome him appropriately. In England a discordant note was struck last month by an English Catholic's attack upon Cardinal Gibbons, who, he said, would not be welcomed by Catholics, and it looked as if the Baltimore prelate's trip must be abandoned. But Cardinal Vaughan has sent to Cardinal Gibbons assurances that the English Catholics will give him a warm reception next year when he comes to London. These assurances have been conveyed to Cardinal Gibbons by Bishop Chatard, of Indianapolis, who has just returned from a visit to the Pope. On his way back to this country he called upon Cardinal Vaughan, and on his arrival here, before he went to Indianapolis, he delivered a message from the English Cardinal to Cardinal Gibbons.

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While Passing Dublin Castle She Waves the Transvaal Flag Defiantly.

Chamberlain's Visit to the Irish Capital Signaled by Violent Protests.

Davitt Says All Irishmen Rejoice in the Triumphs of the Boers.

DISGRACEFUL CONDUCT OF STUDENTS

At the close of the ceremony Mr. Chamberlain in response to the cries of students said: "We have met under very disappointing circumstances. If arrangements had been recent I we, at not have chosen the present occasion to receive the honor from the university. Our minds are made sullen by the serious news from South Africa, but England has always been accustomed to hold her own in adversity. I am old enough to remember the Crimea and the earlier period of the Indian mutiny, when England met with greater disasters than she has just experienced, but eventually the nation sprang to its feet and recovered its equilibrium and no doubt it will do so again."

## LABOR WORLD.

Notes and Gossip of the Week From All Parts of the Country.

## INSTALLATION AT THE NEXT MEETING

The Kentucky Irish American did its part in bringing the Federation convention to Louisville.

The United Trades and Labor Assembly elected officers last Sunday. Seven unions were represented.

The Federation at Detroit refused to recognize one Sidener, who left this place rather suddenly some years ago.

Last Monday an increase of 10 per cent in wages affecting 75,000 employees went into effect in the cotton mills of the New England States.

Typographical Union No 10 favors the formation of a State Federation of Labor. James J. Martin will represent this influential Union when the convention is called.

Central Labor Union meets tomorrow. Nominations for different offices for 1900 will be made. Delegate to American Federation of Labor will make his report upon the proceedings of the convention.

There should be but one union for each trade and one central body for all, and that recognized by the American Federation of Labor, in Louisville. Now is the time to obliterate the past and work together for the good of the cause.

Pat Filburn was last Sunday elected President of the newly formed union of laundry employees. Committees were appointed to induce those not at the meeting to join, and the indications are that a strong organization will result.

The Brewers' Union held its annual meeting last Sunday and elected John Fuchs President for another year. The reports showed the body in splendid condition, and after adjournment the members partook of a bounteous dinner in Beck's Hall.

The Executive Committee of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers decided this week to look no further than Cleveland for a site for the big building which the brotherhood intends to erect for its permanent home. The land and building will cost \$300,000.

## RECENT DEATHS.

The funeral of James Coleman, whose death occurred Saturday evening, took place Monday morning from the Dominican church, solemn requiem high mass being celebrated by Rev. Father Logan.

The services were attended by a large concourse of friends and associates of the deceased, who was a young man of good moral character and high standing.

Mr. Coleman, who was only twenty-six years old, was for several years a valiant and popular member of the fire department, and his release from the service some time ago caused great surprise.

Left an orphan while young, he made his home with his cousin, Mrs. Mary Meany, 1219 Eight street. After the solemn ceremonies at the church his remains were tenderly borne to their last resting place in St. John's cemetery, the pall-bearers being John Doyle, John Davern, Thomas Smith, Harry McDevitt, James Welsh and Thomas Gardiner.

To a meeting passing Dublin Castle the occupants waved the Transvaal flag defiantly, whereupon the police stopped the vehicle and seized the flag.

The wagonette, attended by a large body of police, who often cleared the street, then drove to the rooms of the Irish Transvaal Committee, where Messrs. Michael Davitt, William Redmond and J. O'Brien were waiting.

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### CHRISTMAS GREETING.

"Peace on earth to men" was the angelic announcement of the birth of Him whose mission was of peace and brotherly love to man, and on each recurring Christmas the heart of man responds to the salutation, rises above the sorrows and ills, represses the contentions and anger, turns from the gloom and fears of life to the bright ray of peace, hope and love, and rejoices in the fullness of a heavenly joy that inspires and contributes to the happiness of all, as becomes brothers, the children of the Father of all. May all our friends be filled with that unbounded and unalloyed joy, and have a merry Christmas.

### INDIANA LABOR LAWS.

Organized labor in Indiana has made but little noise, though it has been actively at work in past years, and as a result of its systematic, wise and united effort has accomplished more effective and lasting benefits for the elevation, protection and advancement of labor interests than their brethren in most Western States, and their example is worthy of emulation by Kentucky organized labor. There has not been any serious trouble, except a few cases among the miners, in Indiana for years, and the false impression that organized labor in that State was demoralized and powerless has become prevalent. Results, however, prove to the contrary, and as incidents call attention to the real condition of labor in Indiana the results are shown to be favorable, causing first surprise, then admiration; it should go further and cause a thoughtful investigation of the methods of procedure, and an effort to secure like results by similar peaceful means in other States, particularly in Kentucky. We believe the working people of Kentucky are more strongly organized than those of Indiana, but when results of the efforts of each for betterment of their respective conditions and standing under the law are compared, the Kentuckians must take off their hats to the Hoosiers.

We cite two matters which have been the subjects of effort and legislation in both States—the regular payment of wages, child education and restriction of child labor. Notwithstanding all that has been done in years in Kentucky in session after session of the Legislature, practically nothing has been accomplished. The laws enacted were incomplete, defective, and the State officials can not be induced to interest themselves sufficiently to make a test in the courts, to advise or aid labor in any way to secure the desired end. We have laws regulating payment of wages, requiring school attendance, prohibiting child labor—that is, to an extent—but they are dead letters, are notoriously violated, and no effort made to enforce them. It is only our knowledge that such laws have been enacted in Kentucky that enables us to assert we have such laws in this State, fully conscious that the real condition of affairs indicates that in effect there are no such laws—because they are not enforced and the abuses they should remedy are openly and generally prevalent.

In Indiana they, too, have such laws, but they are simple in language, plain in their provisions, and they are enforced. The law requires payment of wages weekly by all employers, except where the majority of the employees agree otherwise, it being conceded that in some instances weekly payment of wages would entail inconvenience and expense, but in all cases a guarantee is given that the wages will be paid weekly. The law also provides for the payment of wages in kind, and the amount of wages to be paid in kind is limited to one-half of the total wages due. The law also provides for the payment of wages in kind, and the amount of wages to be paid in kind is limited to one-half of the total wages due. The law also provides for the payment of wages in kind, and the amount of wages to be paid in kind is limited to one-half of the total wages due.

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No use writing a column to show England's critical situation, when it is so fully outlined by the London Times in the following: "Neither the Crimean war nor the Indian mutiny gave rise to greater dangers to the empire than that with which we are now menaced, nor at either of these critical periods was Great Britain so isolated politically or regarded with such dislike and suspicion as are now almost everywhere apparent. Unless the calmness which impresses the foreign observer proceeds only from apathy or a want of sufficient imagination to realize the imminent danger to the whole fabric of our empire, the great efforts now urgently required will surely be made before it is too late to retrieve the situation. We are fighting not merely for supremacy in South Africa but our position as a great power."

The Orangemen of Chicago, posing as "English-Americans," startled the world by publishing a dispatch tendering to the Premier of Canada "a regiment of Illinois citizens of English birth, who will report at any time or place, to uphold English civilization and liberty in South Africa." These are the same fakes who in the last election in Chicago claimed to number several thousand voters and tried to "pull the leg" of both the Democratic and Republican campaign committees, but were proven by an investigation to be few in number and about one-third aliens. The Premier of Canada will do well to not try to hold his breath till those bombastic patriots shoulder arms and report for service.

The Courier-Journal attributes the universal anti-English sentiment of European nations to England's "friendship for the United States during our war with Spain." That "friendship" canard has been long since exploded; besides the distrust and isolation of England by other nations antedates the American-Spanish war by many years. Like the overbearing bully that has suddenly got a trouncing, no one sympathizes, but all agree it was well deserved, and more of the same kind would not be amiss.

Our Anglo-Johnnies are having fits over the woes of John Bull. It doesn't occur to them that they might shoulder a gun and show true sympathy far better than by boo-hooing about it. England may suffer defeat in the war with the Boers, but our Angloamericans, poor fellows, would certainly weep themselves away. Well, we can well spare them.

Our citizens should spurn any and all propositions to part with her interests in the Louisville Gas Company. It would be much better to acquire the balance of the stock.

Gén. Sir Redvers Buller, owing to wholly unexpected change of programme, will not eat his Christmas dinner in Pretoria, the Transvaal capital, Monday.

All that is left this town is light and water. Consumers will rue the day these two necessities pass out of the city's control.

It would be regarded as sarcastic just now to wish our English friends a merry Christmas.

### REDMOND MARRIED.

His Bride the Daughter of An Irishman Settled in Leamington.

John Redmond, the Irish member of Parliament recently in this country with Lord Mayor Daniel Tallon, of Dublin, for the purpose of raising funds for the erection of a monument to the memory of Charles Stewart Parnell, did not land at Queenstown with his colleague on December 10, as was expected, but proceeded to Liverpool, much to the surprise of his friends.

The reasons for his action are explained in a dispatch from London, which states that he was married on Saturday last at Servites church, Fulham road, London, to Miss Beesley, daughter of James Beesley, an Irishman settled in business in Leamington.

The attachment is said to be of some duration. The ceremony was strictly private and no information whatever was given to the public. Mr. Redmond's first wife died eight years ago.



J. D. Moore was among this week's visitors at West Baden.

R. A. Young has returned from a visit to West Baden Springs.

Miss Nell Buckley is home from Potter College for the holidays.

W. C. McGuire, of Franklin, was here for a few days this week.

Miss Agnes Hays is home from school at Washington for the holidays.

Miss Nan Burke, of Jeffersonville, has entirely recovered from her recent illness.

John Flynn is reported seriously ill at his home on Locust street, Jeffersonville.

Howard S. Gleason will spend the holidays at his home on Hepburn avenue.

W. R. Mooney was among the Louis-

ber of the Kentucky Nursery Company at Deatsville, and the bride-elect the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Leezer, of this city.

Miss Marion Tracy, who has been the guest of Miss Margaret Weissinger for several weeks, left for her home in Oswego last Tuesday.

Miss Jessie Lynch arrived this week from Dawson Springs and will remain with her parents in Jeffersonville until after New Year's day.

William Korb, wife and daughter, of New Albany, will leave Monday morning for Evansville, where they will spend several weeks visiting relatives.

The friends of Patrick Sweeney, of Jeffersonville, will be glad to learn that he is steadily recovering from the stroke of paralysis he sustained last month.

Mr. J. H. Riley, of Owensboro, was here this week visiting friends. He formerly resided here, being stationmaster at the Seventh-street depot for many years.

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O'er brow and temples glowing,  
I came across the sea;  
And now my head is hoary,  
But land of song and story—  
Green Isle of ancient glory—  
My heart is still with thee.

They hopes still clung around me,  
They bonds forever bound me,  
And on all occasions found me

Within the midst of those  
Whose love was ever paid thee,  
Who met to cheer and aid thee  
At a distance made thee  
A terror to thy foes.

Long through this sad sojourning  
My heart and brain were burning  
With hopes of yet returning  
To Erin, glad and free.

My hopes were unavailing,  
I feel my strength is failing;  
And still that bitter wailing  
Is drifting o'er the sea.

But I have yet, thank heaven,  
Four gallant sons of seven  
My Irish wife has given  
To soothe my life's decline;

Four youths of noble bearing,  
Of spirits high and daring,  
Whose hearts are ever sharing  
Those cherished dreams of mine.

And should my dear land ever  
Renew the old endeavor  
Her cruel bonds to sever,  
Though I can serve no more,

Four soldiers brave I'll send her,  
To aid her and defend her,  
And thus I still can render  
Allegiance as of yore.

I have one gentle daughter—  
How fondly I have taught her  
Of Erin o'er the water—

An island green and fair;

And marked her bright eyes shining  
As, on my knees reclining,  
I kissed her while entwining  
Fresh shamrocks in her hair.

Her mother's songs she sings me,  
Sweet thoughts of home she brings me,

The secret pang that wrings me

Her breast can never know;

But Irish love, so purely,

Runs through, I rest securely

Thereon, and say that surely

"Twill never nurse a foe.

But life is fading slowly—

My friends must lay me lowly—

Far from the abbey holy,

I loved through all the past.

The world grows dim before me,

A broad wing closes o'er me,

But, Erin, dear, that bore me,

I love thee to the last!

## IN WOMAN'S REALM.

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The well shod and well gloved woman bespeaks a person of refinement and breeding as well now as for a century past. There are so many and various styles of shoes now for every occasion that choice can be made from a large line as to which are really the best fitted to the foot and the pocket-book. For outdoor wear and walking in cold and rainy weather nothing is more comfortable or desirable than the "mannish" boot, which supersedes the rubber overshoe, disliked by so many. In this "mannish" shoe we are following our English cousins, who are noted as great walkers and who have found a heavy walking boot the most comfortable for outdoor service. For walking or driving the derby glove is the proper thing, the thick kid protecting the hands from the cold. A glove should never be worn that has a rip in it. If there is not time to visit the shop where it was bought, it can be repaired neatly at home with a needle and fine cotton thread as near the color of the kid as possible. Turning the glove wrong side out and sewing the edges together will take but a few moments and serve one's peace of mind, as a ripped glove is always exasperating to the wearer. Be sure cotton thread is used, as silk will cut the glove.

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Muffs for bridesmaids are taking the place of the time-honored bouquets or fans, but even though winter is here these do not suggest cold weather. Most of them look as though they were to be carried to a garden party. At a recent swell wedding the maid of honor carried a muff made of Parma violets and Bride roses edged with sable. Some beautiful ones seen recently were of yellow chrysanthemums bordered on each end with mimosa. In the center was spray of yellow roses mixed with lilies of the valley, which fell to the knee. These muffs were on a chain of filigree gold and pearls, the gift of the bride. At another wedding the maids had muffs of pale mauve orchids, suspended on turquoise ribbon. Variations can be rung on these to suit the costumes of the maids and the color of the surroundings.

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The new cloaks this season are not exactly beautiful to the eye, but they have a decided way of announcing that it is this season's cloak. It requires a very good figure to carry off one with straight seams at the sides and not conforming to the figure in the slightest degree. Let us hope this revival of our grandmothers' days will soon pass.

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The shop windows are varied and bright now with Christmas goods and the stores filled with purchasers. From the many things placed before one it is hard to make a selection, but a little forethought will help matters considerably. A tablet with what is wanted and the price one wishes to pay will do wonders to making shopping a pleasure all around instead of a burden, as it very frequently is.

The men are invading woman's region, as the latest fad reported from Newport would indicate. One of the Four Hundred appeared on the street with a golf suit. He might not have attracted so much attention if he had not had encircling his ankle a silver chain with a silver pendant, the gift of a woman friend.

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Anent the rise in the price of diamonds, the gem so dear to every woman's heart, the following, clipped from our exchanges, may be of interest: "White diamonds, the most popular among buyers, are seldom what they pretend to be, for a stone clear and transparent is more rare than one thinks. There are red, blue, brown, yellow, green and pink diamonds; heat also often changes the color of a stone. There are more yellow diamonds of different shades than one can count, and they are often very beautiful. A diamond with a rose color hue is very rare, while those with red tints like a ruby are still rarer and are considered the most wonderful of lovely gems. There are only a few of them, and a Russian Emperor paid \$100,000 for one of ten carats weight. A black diamond is nearly as much a rarity as a red one, but it is not so good to look upon, and blue diamonds rank next. The dark blue ones look like sapphires, except for the play of colors peculiar to the diamond alone. The mines of India furnish the only real blue stones. While a real emerald colored diamond is rare, those with a green tint are quite plentiful. The museum of natural history in Paris has several examples of green diamonds, but Dresden has the most famous and it is one of the five marvels of gems known to the world."

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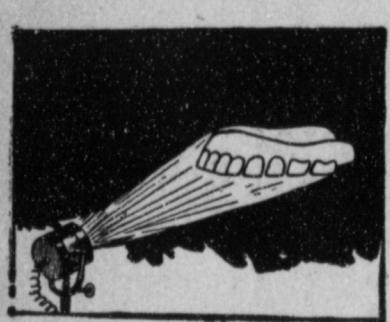
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## IRELAND.

Record of the Most Important of the Recent Events Culled From Exchanges.

James Ryan died at Waterford, December 7, in the eightieth year of his age.

The funeral of Myles Kavanaugh took place at Arklow on Sunday, December 10.

The Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer has laid the foundation stone of a new teachers' training school at Prospect.

H. A. Mann, of Cookstown, has been appointed to the Commission of the Peace for the County Tyrone.

Thomas Kennedy, well known in Dublin, succumbed to an attack of illness and was buried at Glasnevin December 11.

John Coogan's death at the County Meath Infirmary caused great sorrow.

His funeral took place at Navan December 11.

High Mass and office for the dead were celebrated over the remains of Rev. Joseph Wheeler at Frankford on Monday, December 11.

The Secretoryship of the Cook County Council, which becomes vacant next March, is bringing a multitude of candidates into the field.

The order granted by the Local Government Board constituting the town of Tullamore an urban sanitary district from April 1 next has been promulgated in council.

At the weekly meeting of the Carlow Board of Guardians a resolution was adopted condemning the eleven months' letting system as detrimental to the best interests of the country.

The Labor Electoral Association of the Arran Quay ward, Dublin, has declined to put forward a candidate at the January election, which action will prevent a split in the National vote.

The death took place two weeks ago at Rathkeale of Joseph O'Connor, merchant.

Deceased was one of the "Old Guard," and took part in the '67 movement. The funeral was largely attended by Nationalists in the district.

Once again matters are in full swing in the Killaloe slate quarries, and about 300 men are employed. Operations had to be suspended some time ago owing to a landslip or the subsidence of a large quantity of the mountain front from which the slate blocks are quarried.

Dungarvan Urban Council has finally decided to erect the memorial to Edmund Power at the corner of the market house.

Thus the sacrifice of the yeoman Captain who threw off his English uniform to fight with his countrymen in '98 will be commemorated on the spot where he gave up his life.

The Gaelic League in Limerick has made an earnest appeal to all patriotic citizens to help in the movement to revive the national language.

The League has undoubtedly done good work, and the classes formed are well forward in their studies, but all the same the membership is not what it ought to be.

It is to be hoped that the appeal will have some good effect.

The death of Michael Egan has removed from Limerick one of the most respected merchants of the city. Head

of one of the largest firms in Limerick, with a branch house at Tower street, London, he individually built up a trade extending over Ireland and England.

He was connected with every charitable society in Limerick, and his death is deeply regretted by every citizen.

On Sunday the funeral of Joseph Murphy, of Belfast, who for many years was a reporter on the staff of the Northern Whig, took place, the remains being interred in the family burial ground in Loughinloan, County Down. The funeral was largely attended and representatives from the several Belfast newspapers were present. The wreaths included one from the colleagues of the deceased on the Whig and another from the Ulster District of the Institute of Journalists.

Shortly after 11 o'clock on Monday a fall of a roof took place in Congo pit belonging to the Dungannon Collieries.

Peter Hart, aged sixty, residing in the engine yard, Killybrackley, was crushed by a large rock and received severe injuries to his back and one leg was broken.

He was at once brought to the surface and Dr. Norman sent for, but before his arrival the injured man expired.

The deceased leaves a widow and large family, the majority of whom are grown up.

The Limerick Board of Guardians in politics may be a divided body, but they have unanimously marked their sense of the services rendered by Parnell to Ireland.

At the last meeting a resolution was unanimously adopted approving the intended memorial to his memory.

Mr. Dix stated that every man in Ireland

who owned a perch of land should subscribe to the memorial. Mr. Coffey, solicitor, ably stated the case for the deputation and had a good lieutenant in P. O'Reilly.

A man named James McCourt, of Seaton, Dundalk, a carter in the employment of Messrs. Cooper, received severe injuries at the Dundalk railway station, from the effects of which he has since died at the County Infirmary. It appears that he was unloading empty barrels from a float, when the horse was touched by one of the casks and took fright.

In trying to recover control of the animal McCourt was caught between his own

and another cart and very badly crushed.

He was about fifty years of age and unmarried.

The usual weekly meeting of the Memorial Committee was held in Bryan's Hotel, Thurles, on Sunday night, P. Flinn presiding.

Subscriptions of \$60 were acknowledged from Clonoulty and Rossmore.

The collection lists are not closed

in those parishes, so the amounts are expected to be very considerable when the collections are completed.

The Rev. Canon Ryan and Nicholas Maher

subscribed \$6 each in Clonoulty.

Rev. Father Keeffe and several others in Rossmore and Clonoulty gave generous subser-

tions also. Mr. Flinn received a letter from the Rev. T. O'Dwyer, parish priest, of Sologhore, Tipperary, inclosing a check for \$5 toward the memorial and hoping that it will in every way be worthy of the grand old cause.

At a large and influential meeting of the committee and subscribers to the martyrs' monument, held in the Independent National Club, Kilrush, Luke O'Brien presiding, it was decided, amidst enthusiasm, to take early steps to hold a great demonstration in the capital of West Clare on the occasion of the laying of the foundation stone of the monument, and John Curran was directed to invite James Stephens, John O'Leary, William Redmond, and other well known Nationalists to take part in the ceremonial.

The United Irish League was the subject of a lengthened discussion at the meeting of the Limerick Guardians, on a resolution proposed by P. Fitzgerald and seconded by D. Clancy.

An amendment was moved by Capt. O'Brien, seconded by R. S. Walsh, protesting against the United Irish League as an interference with constitutional government and liberty of the subject. The Mayor spoke against the resolution, describing those who supported constitutional agitation as factionists. As a Fenian he protested against "new-fangled theories" of politicians who were afraid to voice their opinions on the hillsides.

There was considerable regret evinced in Waterford when the death of Thomas Hayden, Sr., was announced on Wednesday morning, December 6. The deceased had reached the splendid age of eighty-two years. For over forty years he was connected with the Barrow Navigation Company. He was a Parnellite to his heart's core, and remained faithful to his beliefs to the last. With his son, Joseph Hayden, late Secretary of the National and Literary Club, and other relatives, there is general sympathy. On Thursday high mass and office for the dead were held in the Cathedral. The interment took place at the family burial ground, Knockboy, when there was a most representative attendance.

**THEATRICALS.**

For Christmas week Col. Meffert will present the sensational melodrama, "The Pulse of Chinatown," which is a decided novelty.

It is a dramatic story of New York and shows the best picture ever put on the stage of the Chinese quarter. An opium den with fan tan game running will be one of the scenes. Other spectacular effects will be the Batter Park, the Governor's Island, with Brooklyn in the distance, Madison Square, the Dewey arch illuminated, and Doyers street at night.

The story is one of intense dramatic power. A millionaire brewer of New York wills his property to his common law wife and his European relatives.

One of the latter, Freda, a young German girl, and her blind father, a musician, are en route to America. The brewer's widow schemes to get the girl out of the way and so secure eventually all the property. When the steamer arrives Freda is entrapped by the widow's agents and taken to the Chinese haunts of the great metropolis. A young fellow, Marlowe, out of work and no chance of making a living, has become a member of the Chinese Highbinders. He has met Freda on her arrival and pitted her misfortunes. He resolves to aid her and succeeds in rescuing her from her Chinese jailers.

The brewer's widow assumes the character of a German baroness, meets the brewer's widow, who is forced into making a confession of her crimes and is arrested.

Marlowe and Freda are united and their friends made happy. While crowded houses are expected, there will be no advance in prices.

Commencing with the matinee tomorrow the attraction at the Buckingham for Christmas week will be Phil Sheridan's New City Sports Company. Manager Sheridan is keeping abreast with the times and the City Sports this season will be found to be entirely new in every department but the title, which is well known as one of the pioneers of up-to-date burlesque. The vaudeville acts embrace almost every branch of this class of entertainment. There will be a laughable dialect specialty by Phil Mills and Billy Hart, whose "Have Another Pill" generally keeps the audience in a continual roar of laughter. Fannie Lewis will render several new songs, illustrated with stereopticon views, and there will be some artistic acrobatic dancing by the dainty soubrette, Alice Leslie. Carr and McLeod will be seen in their original sketch, "In Camp," while the Brothers Lowell, two of the best gymnasts that ever turned a flip-flop, will contribute a comedy acrobatic act in which they perform many wonderful feats. Milledge and Nelson will appear in a new character sketch and the Baileys, in their renditions of rag time melodies, buck and wing dancing and Ethiopian comedy, will close the olio. There are two burlesques on the bill, one to serve as a curtain raiser, while the other brings the performance to a close. In addition to the usual specialties by the pretty choristers, there will be seen that charming young singer Ruth Beecher, who created a very favorable impression here last season. Miss Beecher, by the way, is a niece of the late Henry Ward Beecher.

"On the Stroke of Twelve," a sensational comedy drama, will be given at the Avenue Theater for Christmas week,

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